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ber of cases of communicable diseases, and such further comparative statistics and information as may be deemed of value to scientists, the medical profession, the general public, and aid in the maintenance of good health conditions, may be published by the board in such manner and at such times as it may deem proper.

It shall have general power of inspection, examination, quarantine, and disinfection within the State, provided that this act shall in no wise conflict with the enforcement of the national quarantine laws.

NOTE.—This bill was introduced January 12, 1905, and amended January 30 and February 3, 1905.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Cerebro-spinal meningitis at Baltimore, Md.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Gwyn reports, March 22, as follows:

Two cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis, of the epidemic form, are reported in Baltimore.

Cerebro-spinal meningitis at Philadelphia, Pa.

Surgeon Irwin reports, March 20, as follows:

A few cases of cerebro-spinal meningitis have been reported in Philadelphia during the past week. There has been a total of 28 cases of the disease reported since the first of last January.

INSPECTION SERVICE, MEXICAN BORDER.

Inspection at Eagle Pass, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports as follows:

	Week ended Mar. 18, 1905.
Persons inspected on trains	137
Persons inspected on footbridge.....	4, 195

Inspection at El Paso, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Alexander reports as follows:

Week ended March 18, 1905: Inspection Mexican Central passengers, 294; inspection Mexican Central immigrants, 65; inspection Pullman passengers (private) 27; disinfection blankets, bedding, clothing, etc.—articles known to come from house where smallpox existed lately; disinfection soiled linen reimported for laundry work, 417 pieces; vaccination of grown immigrants, 3.

Inspection at Laredo, Tex.—Mortuary report, New Laredo, February, 1905.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hamilton reports, March 18 and 19, through Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick, as follows:

Week ended March 18, 1905. Number of passenger trains from

Mexico inspected upon entry, 14; persons on passenger trains from Mexico inspected upon entry, 646; immigrants on passenger trains from Mexico inspected upon entry, 39; immigrants and others vaccinated, 9; Pullman coaches disinfected upon entry, 16; inspected certificate of 1 corpse from Mexico, and passed.

Mortuary report from New Laredo, Mexico, for the month of February, 1905: Tuberculosis, 2; septicæmia, 1; mitral insufficiency, 1; gastro-enteritis, 1; meningitis, 1; congenital debility, 1; injuries of the neck, 1; stillborn, 2; total, 10. Mortality rate, 20.

Population, 6,000.

No precautions taken at Laredo against increase of mosquitoes—Stegomyæ present.

Acting Assistant Frick reports, March 22, as follows:

Absolutely no precautions are being taken by the city authorities toward the destruction and prevention of the increase of the mosquito.

Within the last few days I have noticed several adult stegomyæ mosquitoes in the vicinity of our office, and am therefore inclined to the opinion that it will be but a question of a short time until Laredo will again be as infectible as it was during the year of 1903.

I would state that fortunately many of the people are still using on their barrels the wire screen tops the Service purchased and distributed among them last year; that excessive rains have caused the overflowing of many water containers not so protected, possibly having larvæ in them, and lastly that the large amount of work done here by the Service from September, 1903, to September, 1904, has wrought an almost complete destruction of the stegomyia mosquito in Laredo, and I truly believe that with but an ordinary precaution this place would remain as at present an almost noninfectible territory.

Inspection at Nogales, Ariz.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gustetter reports as follows:

Week ended March, 18, 1905: Passengers inspected, 160; immigrants inspected, 53.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF STATES AND CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES,
YEARLY AND MONTHLY.

CALIFORNIA—*Fresno*.—Month of February, 1905. Estimated population, 20,000. Total number of deaths, 22, including diphtheria 1, enteric fever 1, scarlet fever 1, and 5 from tuberculosis.

Sacramento.—Month of February, 1905. Estimated population 35,000. Total number of deaths, 22, including enteric fever 1, and 3 from phthisis pulmonalis.

San Diego.—Month of February, 1905. Estimated population, 25,000. Total number of deaths, 46, including enteric fever 1, and 15 from tuberculosis.

CONNECTICUT—*Hartford*.—Month of February, 1905. Estimated population, 92,000. Total number of deaths, 126, including diphtheria 9, enteric fever 1, and 19 from tuberculosis.